

## FOSTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Captain Isaac Paine School  
160 Foster Center Road  
Foster, RI 02825

Tuesday, June 28, 2016  
Open Session – 7:15 PM

1. **Convene Meeting** – the meeting of the Foster School Committee (FSC) was called to order on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at 7:15 PM by Chair, Kathleen Swanson.

a. *Roll Call* – all members were present: Chair, Kathleen Swanson, Vice-Chair, Shelley Pezza, member, Ron Cervasio, superintendent, Dr. Michael Barnes, and FSC secretary, Helena McCullough.

b. *Pledge of Allegiance* – was recited by all in attendance.

2. **Public Comment** – relating to past, current, or future agenda items / Open Forum – there was no Public comment.

3. **Building Use Requests** – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and second by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the Building Use request from Swamp Meadow Community Theatre as presented. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

4. **Approval of Minutes (for discussion/action)**

a. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting 5/24/16; Executive Session 5/24/16; on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the Open session Minutes of May 24, 2016. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0. There was no Executive session in May.

5. **Approval of Warrants (for discussion/action)**

a. Approval of monthly bills from May 2016 – on a motion by Ms. Pezza seconded by Mr. Cervasio the FSC approved Warrant #26, dated 5/16/2016 for \$1,190.00 and Warrant #27, dated 6/9/2016 for \$132,414.08. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

6. **Business Manager's Report (for discussion/action)**

a. Monthly report on activities relating to the business office – Mr. Petrarca supplied the FSC with his report and had nothing to add.

7. On a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC voted to **seek to convene into Executive Session for discussion and/or action regarding those items of business referred to in R.I.G.L. 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation – Foster Teachers Association / Educational Support Personnel**. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

On a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC voted to reconvene to Open Session. Motion carries. Vote = 3-0-0.

Mrs. Swanson reported that Collective Bargaining and Litigation for the Foster Teachers' Association and the Educational Support Personnel were discussed and no votes were taken.

On a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC voted to “Seal” the minutes of Executive Session. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

**8. New Business (for discussion/action)**

a. *Approval of Foster Teachers’ Association Contract* – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the Foster Teachers’ Association contract as presented. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

b. *Fiscal Impact Statement Foster Teachers’ Association Contract* – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the Fiscal Impact Statement for the FTA contract. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

c. *Bid Award: RFP – Supply Materials and labor to Replace a Section of Asphalt Parking Lot* – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC accepted the proposal of D’Ambra Construction Inc. for \$69,250.00. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

d. *Superintendent’s Recommendations – Appointments* – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the Superintendent’s recommendation to appoint Mr. Eligo Vuono to the .8 Physical & Health Education teacher at Step 3 as per the FTA contract, contingent on references and BCI. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

**9. Old Business (for discussion/action)**

a. *Adoption of School Committee Policy*

1) *Time & Effort Reporting Requirements of Federal Grant Programs - Second Reading* – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC approved the second reading of Time & Effort Reporting Requirements of Federal Grant Programs. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

**10. Communication/Reports**

a. *Communication* - description of communication received / sent to be shared with the public – there were no communications.

b. *Principal’s Report* – relating to learning, teaching, and activities of the Paine School – Mrs. Danusis supplied the FSC with her report for June.

c. *Superintendent’s Report* - relating to learning, teaching, and management and operations of the Foster School District – Dr. Barnes shared several items with the FSC.

**11. Future Agenda Items** - identification of future agenda items – Absenteeism of teachers; Superintendent Contract.

**12. Adjournment** – on a motion by Ms. Pezza and seconded by Mr. Cervasio, the FSC voted to adjourn at 7:46 PM. Motion carried. Vote = 3-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Helena McCullough  
Secretary Foster School Committee